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The Honorable Sandra L. Townes
United States District Judge
Eastern District of New York
225 Cadman Plaza East
Brooklyn, New York 11201

Re: United States v. Bartolomeo Vernace, et al.
Criminal Docket No. 11-005 (SLT)

Dear Judge Townes:

The government respectfully submits this letter in response to a point made in the May 13, 2011 letter filed by Mr. Corozzo, counsel for the defendant Robert Wehnert, in connection with the Curcio proceeding scheduled for May 20, 2011. With regard to the drug treatment matter concerning Anthony Ruggiano, Mr. Corozzo contends that he himself never "lied to the Court or made any misrepresentation concerning Mr. Ruggiano's drug history." (Letter at 3). Ruggiano does not contend otherwise.

The government further submits that it is premature and unnecessary at this juncture for the defendant to seek evidentiary rulings with regard to any testimony the government may offer through Ruggiano at trial, whether regarding drug treatment or other aspects of his prior relationship with Mr. Corozzo. The purpose of the instant proceeding is rather to

